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BULGARIA SURRENDERS AND STOPS FIGHTING AT NOON TODAY

A HARD BLOW DELIVERED ON WEST FRONT

GENERAL HAIG'S FORCES SMASH
HINDENBURG LINE NORTH OF
ST. QUENTIN

BRITISH AND BELGIANS "BUSY"

The Whole of the Enemy's Commu-
nication Lines on Belgian Coast
About to Fall

London, Sept. 30.—General Haig's
forces smashed the Hindenburg line
today on a front of eight miles and
to a maximum depth of two miles,
just north of St. Quentin.

The British and Belgians attacking
in Flanders advanced to an average
depth of five miles over a line of
eight miles.

Roulers is in peril, and the whole
of the enemy's communications in
Belgium Flanders, particularly on
the Belgian coast, is threatened.

Paris, Sept. 30.—General Gour-
aud's army attacked this morning on
the northern slopes of Bellevue
heights, Mont Couvellet and Boucon-
ville. They crossed the Allainbrook,
which flows toward Challerange and
the heights dominating the village of
Maure were taken.

Paris, Sept. 30.—The French in
the Champagne resumed their at-
tack today. The Germans violently
counter attacked last night south of
St. Quentin, but failed. The progress
of breaking the hold of the German
invaders on French soil is shown by
the fact that no longer is any of the
French departments entirely occu-
pied by the enemy.

London, Sept. 30.—The French
are progressing along the Chemin-
des-Dames toward the east. The
enemy is retreating behind the Ais-
ette river.

London, Sept. 30.—British, Amer-
icans and Australians pushed for-
ward between Bellicourt and Gonne-
hou in the face of the severest oppo-
sition last night.

The allies yesterday took 4,000
prisoners north of St. Quentin, and
40 guns. British forces have entered
the northern suburbs of Cambrai.
Northwest of La Catelliet and to the
southwest the German counter at-
tacks pressed the British back some-
what.

MOVEMENT OF TROOPS HALTED BY INFLUENZA

C. A. Sidler, clerk of the local
board, states that men subject to call
No. 1363 will not be inducted into
the service immediately on account
of the rapid spread of Spanish in-
fluenza. Those from this vicinity
who were to go in this call are: En-
nis Robinson, Fred R. Hyde, Thos.
McClay, Victor E. Vinyard, Harry
Kincaid, Kenneth L. Vinyard, Wm.
E. Stone, L. Warde Hyde, Valos
Royce White, Wayne W. Wimer,
John F. Ward and Harry G. Neely.

Richard Every and Carl M. La-
throp were to go as alternates.
It is reported that the army sur-
geons have just made a new serum
that will prevent the spread of the
disease. The postponing of this
movement of troops will effect those
at Camp Lewis where there are many
cases of influenza, but not in Cal-
ifornia, as the disease has gained no
headway in that state as yet.

RETAIL STORES TO CLOSE AT 6 P.M.

State Council of Defense Makes Right
Ruling Which Will Be Enforced
by War Industries Board

Retail business will come to a halt
daily at 6 p. m. in the state of Ore-
gon, commencing Tuesday, October
1, according to a ruling made by the
state council of defense and to be
enforced by the war industries board
and the United States government,
says the Portland Telegram. "The
only exception made is in the case
of drug stores, which may remain
open until 8 p. m. All retail estab-
lishments will be permitted to trans-
act business up to 6 p. m. on Satur-
day, but on Sunday towns are to be
closed up tight. Even confection-
eries, cigar stores and fruit stands
must observe the Sunday closing
law. The aim of the new ruling is
to conserve the available manpower
of the nation.

The actual medicinal and prescrip-
tion department of drug stores may
remain open at hours optional with
themselves, as this line of business is
considered necessary for the public
good. This is the one and only ex-
ception to the order, which, accord-
ing to the council of defense, will
be vigorously enforced.

Several lines of business have
foreseen the order and have pre-
viously announced their intention to
close at 6 p. m. daily. They include
the cigar dealers of the city and the
service stations of the Standard and
Shell Oil companies.

The resolution embodying the
new order, as given out by Chairman
Kellogg, of the state council says:

Resolved, That on and after Oc-
tober 1, 1919, all sales of merchan-
dise at any point within the state of
Oregon, on the first day of the week,
commonly known as Sunday, at any
time after 9 p. m. on Saturday, and
at any time after 6 p. m. on any other
day of the week should be dis-
continued during the continuance of
the war; provided, that such sales
may be made at any drugstore until
8 p. m. of any day of the week except
Sunday, and that the foregoing pro-
hibition shall not apply in case of
drugstores in the filling of prescrip-
tions, sale of medicines on sick room
necessities, any or all of which may
be sold on any day at any hour; pro-
vided, further, that the selling of
meals or articles of food in restau-
rants, hotels, lunch counters and eat-
ing rooms shall not be deemed the
sale of merchandise under the terms
of this resolution; and, provided,
further, that the sale of gasoline,
distillate and lubricating oil at gar-
ages and public filling stations, ex-
cept in the supplying of motor trucks
actually engaged directly or indirect-
ly in war industries, shall be deem-
ed the sale of merchandise and sub-
ject to the terms and conditions of
this resolution.

Salem, Ore., Sept. 30.—Governor
Withycombe has telegrams from all
over the state protesting against the
Sunday closing order. Delegates
are coming to confer with the gov-
ernor, and it is uncertain whether he
favors the enforcement of the order
or not.

THE AUSTRIANS INVITE ALLIES TO TALK PEACE

Amsterdam, Sept. 30.—The propo-
sition that presidents of parliaments
of belligerents and neutrals be in-
vited to meet for unbinding discussion
of basis of peace has been introduced
in the lower house of the Austrian
parliament.

Portland, Sept. 28.—Food Admin-
istrator Ayer has ordered a reduction
of one cent a loaf in bread prices
in Oregon.

MACKENSEN HURRYING HIS DIVISIONS SOUTH

Boer Law Says "Greater Part of Turkish Army is De-
stroyed But Something More Will Follow"—Allies,
With Railways, Have Full Control of Bulgaria

London, Sept. 30.—Chancellor of
the Exchequer Boer Law stated that
the fighting ended at noon today.
Under the terms of the Bulgarian
armistice, Bulgaria completely gives
up control of the railways.

London, Sept. 30.—Strong belief
exists here this afternoon that a
peace offer from Turkey is immin-
ent.

London, Sept. 30.—Boer Law
stated that the control of the Bul-
garian railways gives the allies com-
plete control of Bulgaria. Alluding
to the Palestine campaign, he said:
"The magnificent success of our
armies in Palestine has resulted in
the extinction of a greater part of
the Turkish army, but something
more is going to follow."

London, Sept. 30.—British cav-
alry in Bulgaria is approaching Pat-

rich where they will cut off commu-
nications between Sofia and Sofia.
Field Marshal von Mackensen is re-
ported to have arrived at Sofia and
is hurrying German divisions south-
ward to help the Bulgarians and
Austrians who are working on the
defensive works at Nish.

Paris, Sept. 30.—An armistice has
been concluded between the allies
and Bulgaria, on the allies' own
terms, it is officially announced. This
is probably the first step in Bul-
garia's withdrawal from her alliance
with the central powers, and comes
a few days less than three years after
Bulgaria entered the war, on October
8, 1915.

London, Sept. 30.—A Turk-
ish force of 20,000 men has cap-
tured the British in Pat-

BELGIANS TAKE ROULERS AFTER A FIERCE BATTLE

London, Sept. 30.—The Belgians
have taken Roulers, the important
strategic point 13 miles northeast of
Ypres.

The capture of Roulers by the Bel-
gians is one of the most brilliant
and important thrusts of the present
fighting, as it will probably compel
the Germans to make a speedy re-

treat from the Belgian coast.

London, Sept. 30.—Dixmude has
been captured by the Belgian troops.
It was officially announced tonight.
After breaking up a violent enemy
counter attack the Belgians captured
Terreest Heights and at the close
of the day had advanced to within less
than two miles of Roulers.

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FRENCH AMERICAN OFFENSIVE BEGINS AT KEY OF DEFENSE IN CHAMPAGNE

Washington, Sept. 30.—The key-
stone of the great German defensive
arch in France under assault in
the Franco-American offensive be-
gan Thursday morning in the Cham-
pagne over a front of 40 miles. Be-
cause of the place of attack selected
by Marshal Foch, military officials
regarded the new offensive as one of
wide strategic possibilities.

The point of attack selected by
Marshal Foch caused no great sur-
prise here. As far back as 1915 the
French strategists saw that the
Champagne front offered the great-
est possibilities in repelling the in-
vaders with the least expenditure of
men. There was fierce fighting that
year on this sector, but the French
lacked the reserve power to press
forward in accordance with their
strategic designs and were forced to
settle back to tactical operations and
defensive measures.

Since then the line between
Rheims and Verdun has been rela-
tively unchanged, the last offensive
effort of the enemy against Rheims
in July having failed to break it. On
that occasion, American troops aided
in repelling the eastern jaw of the
enemy pincer attack on the cathed-
ral city, the 42d (Rainbow) divi-
sion having been brigaded with the
French troops on this front where it

won high commendation from the
French leaders.

As the French plan of 1915 has
been discussed it contemplated the
driving of a great wedge through the
line of the Meuse, where it skirts
the forest of Ardennes near the Bel-
gian border. Resting on a wide base
and supported by the fortress of Ver-
dun on the east, such a wedge would
in effect divide the German army and
in addition menace the whole com-
munication system of the enemy
forces in northern France and Bel-
gium. It would have threatened the
Belgian gateway into France and it
seems certain that a hasty retire-
ment by the enemy to the Meuse line
must have resulted.

Several facts of utmost signifi-
cance and of particular interest to
the people of the United States are
sharply disclosed by the new offen-
sive. For one thing, the power and
will of the allied forces to continue
hammering at the enemy without
rest is apparent. With the smoke
of the battle in the St. Mihiel salient
hardly cleared away and with a 50-
mile stretch of the line to the north
and south of St. Quentin in a con-
tinual flame of attack, it was pos-
sible to organize and deliver a new
blow on a 40-mile front and drive in
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PORTLAND TO TAKE DRASTIC ACTION

The City Lacks Over \$5,000,000,
While the State at Noon Needed
\$700,000 to Go Over Top

Portland, Sept. 30.—Oregon is
waiting in five districts that are lag-
ging in the Fourth Liberty loan cam-
paign. A few counties other than
the five are not yet over the top but
are gaining so rapidly that they will
be over before night.

The five districts are Clatsop,
Umatilla, Marion and Jackson coun-
ties, and the city of Portland.
The state lacks less than \$700,000
of being over, and Portland some-
thing between three and four mil-
lions.

Portland is today conducting a
slacker drive, going particularly af-
ter certain wealthy individuals who
have passed off their duty with a
subscription of a tenth of what it
ought to be. The Portland commit-
tee held up three prominent slackers
in the public press this morning and
the local drive will be replete with
sensations if matters do not take a
turn for the better immediately.

The committee made announce-
ment this morning that its notions
henceforth would be drastic, and al-
ready a visible increase in the quota
is noticeable in the booths where
Liberty loan subscriptions are being
taken.

WILSON INTERFERES IN THE SENATE FIGHT

Washington, Sept. 30.—President
Wilson today stepped into the breach
of the senate fight over the woman
suffrage resolution and in a personal
address in the senate chamber asked
for its passage as a war measure.

The president said:
"I regard the concurrence of the
senate in the constitutional amend-
ment proposing the extension of
woman suffrage to women as vital-
ly essential to the successful prose-
cution of the great war of humanity
in which we are engaged. I have
come to urge upon you the considera-
tions which led me to that conclu-
sion."

Washington, Sept. 30.—The sen-
ate failed to reach a vote today on
the suffrage measure. The vote will
probably be taken tomorrow.

MINED BATTLESHIP IS SAFE IN DRY DOCK

Washington, Sept. 30.—The bat-
tleship Minnesota which struck a
mine yesterday off the Atlantic coast
arrived safely at a naval station and
is now in dry dock.

MILITARY TRAINING UNIT MEETS TONIGHT

Major W. K. Crowson and Private
A. E. Powell, of Medford, are in the
city today and will attend the meet-
ing of the U. of O. military unit at
the courthouse tonight at 7:30. Ma-
jor Crowson has charge of the mili-
tary training at the Ashland, Talent,
Medford and Grants Pass branches.
The meeting tonight will be for
the purpose of further completing
the organization here and to gather
in as many new members as possible.
Major Crowson states that the in-
struction which the members of the
local organization will receive here
will be of great benefit to them, as
they can, upon recommendation of
Col. Bower of the University of Ore-
gon, go directly from this city to the
officers' training camps.

FOCH FIGHTS FIVE BATTLES AT ONE TIME

PARIS DISPATCH INDICATES
THAT ALLIED OVERHAULING
WILL GIVE DECISIVE BLOW

AMERICANS ARE IN HOT FIGHT

Heavy Fire From Hun Artillery
Falls to Stop Them in Their
Steady Advance

Paris, Sept. 30.—General Foch is
fighting five battles simultaneously
and successfully on the west front,
a feat that is unparalleled in the his-
tory of any war. Only General Foch
himself knows when the allies will
strike the decisive blow.

London, Sept. 30.—The British
have cut the Hindenburg line on an
8-mile front, penetrating three miles
about St. Quentin. Under such in-
tense fire it is impossible for the
Germans to get any quantity of men
or material in or out. The British
are in no hurry to clear up the sit-
uation about Cambrai, and it may be
two or three days before they actu-
ally take the town.

With the Americans Near Verdun,
Sept. 30.—Over hills swept by in-
tense artillery and machine gun fire,
and through lowlands often filled
with suffocating gases, the Ameri-
cans crawled steadily forward today
between the Meuse river and the Ar-
gonne forest.

London, Sept. 30.—The Serbians
captured Charevo east of Velez six
miles from the Bulgarian border,
cutting off the Bulgarian retreat.
Over 700 prisoners were taken. The
Bulgarians are retreating near the
Bulgarian border east of Velez.

With the British Army in France,
Sept. 30.—The Belgians in their
drive north and east of Ypres cap-
tured 360 guns. The British there
yesterday took 97 guns.

Harre, Sept. 30.—The Belgian and
British armies defeated the Germans
on the Flanders ridge and in the
Messines-Wytschaete positions.

MEDFORD IRRIGATION BONDS CARRIED SAT.

Medford is in the wet column
again, says the Medford Tribune.
This time it is water. The vote Sat-
urday decided the issue in favor of
the bonds, and, although there was
stiff opposition, the majority was a
substantial one, and it may be said
that the valley has turned its face
toward prosperity and its back on
adversity. It remains now to push
the good work vigorously to a happy
conclusion.

Total number votes cast, 261. To-
tal in favor of bonding, 141, total
opposed to same, 120; majority in fa-
vor of, 21.
The new irrigation proposition will
cover, approximately, 18,000 acres
of land.

NO. 322 IS THE FIRST NUMBER OUT OF BOX

Washington, Sept. 29.—President
Wilson drew the first draft capsule.
It contained number 322. The next
13 numbers are all big ones.